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- 11. (C) A Boeing official told econoff that on May 30 Uzbek Airways signed the contract to purchase two 787s (reftel). Additionally, the Uzbeks contractually agreed to purchase ten 737s at a future date. The German Embassy confirmed Uzbek Airways signed a deal with Airbus on June 1 to purchase six A-320s.
- 12. (C) Comment: For political balance, the GOU decided to split the order, although we have often heard many Uzbek Airways officials say they prefer Boeing to Airbus. HANSON